IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Examiner: Duffy, P.A.

In re Application of

Habermann et al. Art Unit: 1645

Application No.: 10/076,634

Filed: February 19, 2002

Title: FUSION PROTEINS CAPABLE OF BEING

SECRETED INTO A FERMENTATION MEDIUM

Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION,

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the final rejection mailed May 22, 2006, the period for response having been extended two months to October 22, 2006 in accordance with the attached Petition for Extension of Time, please amend the application as follows:

- Amendments to Claims begin on Page 2 of this paper.
- . Remarks begin on Page 6 of this paper.